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HMB Sets Record Budget

ATLANTA (BP) — A \$13.4 million 1968 budget, which includes large appropriations for two major denomination-wide projects, was approved by the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board directors, meeting in annual fall session here.

The record budget is about \$1.3 million more than the 1967 sum, a gain that reflects increased giving by Southern Baptists through the Cooperative Program (unified budget)

and the annual Annie Armstrong Home Mission Offering.

Figures approved for expenditure by the evangelism division in 1968 include \$40,000 for planning and promoting the Crusade of the Americas, the 1969 hemisphere-wide evangelistic campaign in which Southern Baptists will participate.

Another major convention effort is Project 500, a two-year (1968 and 1969) push to start 500 new churches and

church-type missions in 500 carefully-defined strategic locations in newer geographic areas of Baptist work.

About \$1.5 million of the 1968 Home Mission Board budget will be expended in support of this convention-wide church extension project, more than \$1 million of which is earmarked for church loans. And another \$1 million in "Annie Armstrong Offering" funds will be allocated to Project 500 if the

offering of \$5.5 million is reached.

The 1967 Annie Armstrong Offering receipts reached \$4 million by early November. It is expected that receipts will fall short of the goal of \$4.5 million but still will gain by \$100,000 over 1966.

More than 300 of the 500 strategic locations already have been selected and convention agencies, including the Home Mission Board's program of establishing new churches and missions are mustering the force to effectively promote the two year effort.

"It is our hope the Crusade of the Americas will turn tens of thousands in the U.S. to Christ," said Arthur B. Rutledge, executive secretary of the Home Mission Board.

"The entire staff of the Home Mission Board will be

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New officers and executive committee of Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, elected at its meeting last Tuesday are, from left: (seated) Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer, (ex-officio); Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, Jackson, chairman executive committee; Dr. Robert L. Hamblin, Tupelo, vice-chairman executive committee; Dr. W. Levon Moore, Pontotoc, recording secretary executive committee; and Claude Townsend, Florence, State Convention president, (ex-officio). Standing: Dr. Russell Bush, Columbia; Glenn Perry, Philadelphia; Dr. D. C. Applegate, Starkville, board president; Rev. James B. Riley, Magnolia; Dr. John G. McCall, Vicksburg, board vice-president; Dr. Bob Simmons, Meridian; and A. L. Nelson, Jackson, business manager. (Photo of full board is on page 2)



Huge choir of "Good News," presented at State Baptist Student Convention in town during opening number. Directing is Billy Vaughan, minister of music of First Church, Columbus.

Strong Program Marks Student Convention

A strong program, including the presentation of "Good News," and an unusually high attendance, marked the annual Mississippi Baptist Student Convention held last week-end at the First Baptist Church in Greenville.

Those presenting the 55-minute folk musical on the opening Friday night received a standing ovation at the conclusion of the program.

It was produced by the BSU organizations of MSCW and Mississippi State and featured a giant chorus choir under direction of Billy Vaughan, minister of music of First Baptist Church, Columbus.

Sarah Moore, MSCW, pianist, and five other instrumentalists accompanied the singers, with Robert Tischer, state president, serving as reactor.

Dr. Wm. Pinson, of Fort Worth, Texas, told the Convention Saturday that "God is not so much interested in saving ghostly souls as he is in transforming whole lives."

Dr. Pinson, professor of Christian ethics at Southwest Baptist Seminary, continuing his address, declared:

"We are becoming like God. We are becoming like God by belonging to churches, believing correct doctrine, behaving according to prescribed rules — these all miss the mark of what it really means to be a child of God."

"God cares about people — all people. He cares about the rich and poor, the patriot and traitor, the black and white, the powerful and the weak, the lovely and the unlovely. And because God cares, we are to care."

"Christian" means "little Christ." This is what we are to become. By inviting Jesus to live in our life we commit ourselves to transformation from within. He begins to make us into his image."

Following the Friday night program, "A Happening," was presented in the church fellowship hall under direction of Grady Nutt, assistant to the president of Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

Saturday morning's session featured a series of simultaneous conferences on various subjects.

Dr. J. Clark Hensley, Jackson, in a conference on "Alcohol Misuse and Drug Abuse," said that "The increased consumption of liquor in Mississippi has obviously contributed to the increase in

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Jimmy McGee, associate pastor of First Church, Greenville, host church of Convention, welcomes several leaders to meeting. From left to right: Mr. McGee; Rev. Ralph B. Windsor, Jackson, director Department of Student Work; Dick Baker, Dallas, music director; Jerry Lynn Murff, USM, member of executive committee, and Robert Tischer, Mississippi State, president.



Dr. Wm. Pinson, of Fort Worth, Texas, speaker, (center), autographs programs for two students from USM, Charles Reddin and Judy Richmond.

CHRISTMAS APPEAL IS MADE BY VILLAGE

The traditional observance of Christmas at the Baptist Children's Village depends upon the friendship and generosity of individual Baptists and friends of children.

In the course of releasing this reminder, the administration at Mississippi Baptists' child care agency calls attention to the fact that cash gifts from individuals for the Christmas needs and joys of the children at the Village are needed in particularly substantial amounts this year because of the critical financial position of the Village.

Superintendent Nunnery has stated that while the acceptance by Mississippi Baptist churches of the new Christian Home Week and Mother's

Day appeal for offerings, observed for the first time in 1967, was encouraging, the total amount of the offering was well below the 1966 Thanksgiving offering, and wholly inadequate to meet the minimum operating needs of the Village for the current year.

He emphasized that Christmas this year would be somewhat dismal for the children in a material way, if their individual friends did not help. Individual Mississippi Baptists and friends of children were therefore urged, as never before, to assist the staff at the Village in bringing a few of the material joys of Christmas to neglected and dependent children by making

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Kentucky Southern Votes To Discontinue Merger Plans

LOUISVILLE (BP)—Trustees of Kentucky Southern College here, formerly a Baptist school, have canceled plans for the present to merge with the University of Louisville following an enthusiastic student-led fund drive.

The students, who raised about \$1.3 million, were credited with saving the school

during the one-month campaign.

Board Chairman Le Roy Highbaugh, who contributed \$800,000 to the drive, said however that the school still does not have "the dollars and cents that will guarantee our separate existence forever."

Highbaugh, a wealthy Louisville businessman, said he thought the \$1.3 million raised by the students was adequate to keep the school operating as a private, Christian college for "several more months."

One month earlier, the school's trustees had voted 18-3 to merge with the University of Louisville which agreed to assume the former Baptist school's \$8 million in assets and \$4½ million in debts.

Last March Kentucky Southern trustees severed ties with the Kentucky Baptist Convention to become a private, Christian education free to accept federal aid. The seven-year old school was and is in dire financial straits.

A committee of the Kentucky Baptist Convention is in the process of studying their "moral and legal" obligations to Kentucky Southern in the light of the school's plans to merge with the University of Louisville. The convention earlier had pledged \$77,010 for five years to the school.

The decision to discontinue merger talks with University of Louisville was a complete turn-about for the school's

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Caudill And Fite Still In Prison

ATLANTA (BP)—Latest reports from Cuba indicate that two Southern Baptist missionaries imprisoned there since April, 1965, are in good health, it was announced here during an annual session of the Home Mission Board.

Herbert Caudill, 63, remains under house arrest in his Havana home, recovering from a March 15 operation in his one good eye, which was performed in Cuba by Atlanta surgeon, William S. Hagler, after Cuban officials granted a special visa to the eye specialist.

According to correspondence from Mrs. Caudill to the Home Mission Board here, Caudill continues to experience gradual improvement in the eye.

He is blind in the other eye due to a retinal complication that surgery in the U. S. failed to correct in 1964.

Mrs. Caudill also reported that David Fite, 34, the Caudills' son-in-law, is working as a prisoner on a farm quite some distance from Havana. She said that she and Fite's wife, Margaret, visited him late in October.

"He keeps his chin up and we can tell he is a great comfort to others," Mrs. Caudill said.

Fite's parents, Clifton E. Fite, pastor of the Rosemont Baptist Church, Waynesboro, Ga., and his wife, were allowed to visit their son in Cuba last spring, and reported a cordial hearing from Cuban officials as they appealed for Fite's release.

'Concern' Work Honored



Dr. Wm. P. Davis (left) receives plaque from Raphael Malin, president of Lane Bryant, Inc.

Dr. Wm. P. Davis, of Jackson, was in New York City last Thursday night where he accepted a commemorative plaque honoring the Committee of Concern of Jackson, one of six finalists in the Lane Bryant Annual Awards competition for outstanding volunteer service in 1966.

Raphael Malin, president of Lane Bryant, Inc., made the presentation at the annual awards luncheon held at the Plaza Hotel before an audience of more than 350 educators, government officials and business leaders.

The Committee of Concern is composed of leaders of several religious faiths in Mississippi, both white and Negro, organized in 1964 for the purpose of assisting the burned churches in the state to rebuild their houses of worship.

Bishop John M. Allin, of the Episcopal Diocese of Mississippi, is the chairman.

Dr. Davis, director of the Department of Work with National Baptists of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, was chairman of the committee during the first two years of its existence

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Just How Much Longer?

By W. Levon Moore
Pastor, First Church, Pontotoc

Well, we did it again! Mississippi Baptists assembled recently in the annual state convention were brought face to face with the challenge of the century in the field of Christian Education. We had authorized a committee of capable and dedicated fellow Baptists to make a serious in-depth study of the needs of our Baptist colleges, and to make recommendations pointing toward a solution. The fact that we face acute problems in our Mississippi Baptist program of Christian Education is so apparent that even the most myopic ones among us have ceased to deny it. The thrust of our concern, therefore, is not to convince ourselves that we have some problems, but to begin to seek some solutions to the problems so evident to all.

The Study Committee which reported to the Convention gave evidence of ex-

haustive research, thorough analysis, forth-right acknowledgment of needs, and courageous recommendations in the direction of a more tenable position for our Convention. With so much at stake in this entire matter, it seems incredible that within less than twenty minutes from the time the chairman had completed the reading of the report, the Convention had comfortably received the report and dismissed the committee.

The committee report was by no means perfect, nor did it have all the answers. Some of the recommendations may have contained implications of such far reaching significance as to require further study. Perhaps some additional clarification should have been given relative to authority for implementation. But because certain aspects of the report seemed to threaten our "status" (Continued On Page 3)

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offering its heartiest support, and the Project 500 effort should be a healthy complement to the Crusade."

The rest of the record sum for home missions is dispersed throughout the Home Mission Board's six divisions and various departments in support of 2,284 missionaries and 12 mission programs of work.

Largest allocation is \$7.8 million designated for the missions division, which includes nine of the Board's 12 programs.

Establishing new churches and church-type missions, pioneer missions, rural-urban missions, metropolitan missions, language missions, Christian social ministries and work related to non-evangelicals.

Within the missions division, language missions will spend nearly \$2.6 million and Christian social ministries nearly \$1.1 million.

Language missions coordinates and supports the work of missionaries and missions in the U.S., Panama and Puerto Rico, and also is responsible for work in Cuba.

(It was announced during the board meeting that Southern Baptist Missionaries Herbert Caudill and David Fite, imprisoned in Cuba since April, 1965, are in good health.)

The church loans division of the Board will spend \$2.6 million during the year ahead, including nearly \$1.5 million that will be used to increase loan corpus and reserves. (This division aided 270 churches with church suite and building loans totaling \$4.6 million during 1967.)

The 1968 budget approved by the 65-member board of directors also includes six new staff positions, which will bring the Home Mission Board staff up to 81.

New assignments will strengthen work in church loans, Christian social ministries, pioneer missions, rural-urban missions, work with National Baptists, and survey and special studies.

Rutledge in his report put the current number of missionaries, as of Nov. 1, at 2,284, a net gain of 119 over a year ago.

During the year, however, the Home Mission Board appointed a record 450 missionaries and associate missionaries. About 475 will be ap-

pointed during 1968.

The small net gain, Rutledge said, reflects some short-term appointments and mission pastors whose congregations have reached self-support, as well as natural factors such as death, retirement and resignation.

The missionary figures do not include 666 Southern Baptist chaplains who are approved through the Home Mission Board's division of chaplaincy. About 100 of these currently are serving in Vietnam.

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quo", we did not deal positively with a single recommendation. In the light of what was done, an objective observer might properly have surmised that our problem was not how to keep our colleges alive and functioning, but rather how to dispose of "the report".

What was done has been done, and for another year we must live with our decision. The burden of this article is to ask with candor if it would not have been better to openly face, discuss, and constructively modify the recommendations one by one, rather than to nullify the effectiveness of two year's work by quickly by-passing the issue. To "bury" the report, with its factual information and analysis, is NOT to bury the problem. Ignoring the prescription is not the same as curing the disease. How much longer can we afford to ignore the rapid approach of a disastrous impasse if our present course is followed?

How much longer will the Mississippi Baptist Convention allow itself to be frightened into indecision by some

who raise the issue of an irrelevant specter, or who inject some highly emotional shibboleth to becloud the matter at hand? Have we reached the point in our Convention where the MERE MENTION of terms like "federal aid" and "integration", even though irrelevant to the proposal being discussed, can bring defeat to constructive actions? How much longer can we pursue the course of asking committees, at great sacrifice of time and self, to make exhaustive studies to secure data which we have no intention of using? Our colleges are gasping for their very breath in a struggle to stay alive. We should not, and will not, turn to the Federal government for resources. We dare not continue to increase the tuition costs, or else we will lose the very students who should be reached. We have not demonstrated any great measure of concern in our own support of our colleges. The problem of financial support for our schools looms larger than ever. As a Convention, we have again closed the door to a serious consideration of HOW we expect to meet the problem. But, HOW MUCH LONGER?

BWA Announces Associate Secretary

WASHINGTON (BP) — The Baptist World Alliance (BWA) administrative sub-committee elected a new BWA associate secretary, and heard reports on the need for an emphasis on mass-communications, and on imprisonment of Baptists in Russia and Cuba.

Elected associate secretary of the Alliance was Frank H. Woyke of Forest Park, Ill., who for the past 21 years has been executive secretary of the North American Baptist General Conference, a Baptist group of German heritage in the United States.

Woyke will assume the position July 1, 1968, with responsibilities in the fields of world relief, study commissions, and North American Baptist Fellowship. He succeeds Adolf Klauk in relief and refugee work, who is retiring June 30 after 20 years with the Alliance.

Woyke was described by BWA Executive Secretary Josef Nordenhaug as "a truly international personage." He was born to German parents States three years later, settling in Windom, Minn., and emigrated to the United States in 1905.

During its regular meeting here, the BWA administrative committee reported that many of the 43 Baptist ministers arrested in Cuba in 1965 have now been released from jail.

Concern was expressed in regard to recent news reports telling of arrests of more than 200 Baptists in Russia, and the Alliance secretary was asked to seek further information.

In a report to the committee, BWA Publications Director C. E. Bryant expressed the need for the Alliance to launch an extensive program of mass communications on a world-wide scale.

"We believe," Bryant said, "that in this age of fast and world-circling communication, the Baptist World Alliance should become a focal outlet for telling the Baptist story and our Christian message to the world."

"The expression of our message through mass media—the press, a radio and television—can best be done through such a central and cooperative office as we have in the Alliance," Bryant said.

He added, however, that vast sums of money are needed for such a program, and that the Alliance is and has been "severely crippled by financial and personnel limitations in doing the job that we need to do."

"The times require," he said, however, "that we devise and finance a program of mass communications that would adequately meet the tremendous challenge that lies before us."

The administrative committee also surveyed plans for two international meetings—the Baptist World Youth Conference at Berne, Switzerland, July 22-28, 1968; and the Baptist World Congress at Tokyo, Japan, July 12-18, 1970.

"Our nation is overclotted in its vital arteries and the church's greatest sin will be to ignore it,"—Jess Moody.

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pared to a total of 960 at the beginning of this year.

As beds have been opened in the new facility some older patient areas have been converted for use by ancillary services. The present bed capacity of 1,230 at the main hospital does not include 120 beds at BMH's satellite facility for long-term care.

Among the participants in the opening program will be such well known dignitaries as Ray Brown, executive vice president of Harvard Affiliated Hospitals in Boston; Dr. Milford O. Rouse of Dallas, president of the American Medical Association; Dr. Philip R. Lee of Washington, D. C., assistant secretary for Health and Scientific Affairs for the United States Department of Health, Education and Welfare; Walter J. Mc-Nerney of Chicago, president of the Blue Cross Association, and Dr. David Wilson, president of the American Hospital Association and director of the University Hospital in Jackson, Mississippi.

1967 TV Time Given SBC Is Valued At \$750,000

When the National Broadcasting Company telecasts "Zarethan" on December 31, 1967 (1:30 p. m., EST), tabulation will show that the three major networks will have given a total of 7 1/2 hours air time, worth about \$750,000, to programs produced in cooperation with Southern Baptists' Radio and Television Commission during 1967.

These figures were reported by Dr. J. P. Allen, chairman of the television committee, at a recent meeting of the Radio and Television Commission members and include a tentative 1 1/2 hours of programming with the Columbia Broadcasting System still under consideration.

NBC News gave The Southern Baptist Hour a total of 2 1/2 hours, including "Zarethan." Other programs were "The Vine," hour-long special on the life of Christ shown March 12; "Conversations: A Crisis in Christian Communication," April 30; and "Of Picks, Shovels, and Words" (repeat showing), January 1.

Over 100 NBC stations car-

ried these programs with an estimated average viewing audience of 20 million.

ABC News gave seven half-hour segments of their Directions series, produced by Wiley Hance, to Southern Baptist programming in 1967.

A July series included "From Here On In It's Downhill All the Way," "The Unknown Man," "Growing Up," and "Epilogue" (repeat showing). An October series included two programs on the book of Revelation—"I, John" and "The Seven Cities"—and a third, "Aunt Clara."

About 90 stations telecast the Directions series. "The Unknown Man," an arrangement of scripture readings from the Pauline epistles narrated by Roy Poole as the Apostle Paul, drew the largest mail response of any Directions program for the year. "The figure \$750,000 represents an estimate of time value alone," points out W. Truett Myers, director of television production. "It does not include production expenditures, which are also largely borne by the networks."



Members of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board are seen on steps of chapel of First Baptist Church in Jackson immediately following the post-convention session of the body held Nov. 23. Picture of officers and Executive Committee is on page one.

Urgent!

Nurses Needed In Gaza

An urgent call for registered nurses to respond to the critical nurse shortage at the Baptist hospital in Gaza and an appeal to Southern Baptists to pray that nurses may be found were made by Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, during the Board's monthly meeting November 9.

One of the most serious mission situations caused by the Middle East war is the nurse shortage at Gaza, Dr. Cauthen explained. Since Gaza passed from Egyptian to Israeli administration 15 graduate and student nurses from Lebanon have left the hospital, and six graduate nurses from Egypt will leave by the end of the year. Then the nursing staff will consist of one national, one missionary, one missionary journeyman, and one nurse formerly under appointment but now married to a Christian national (and she may soon leave with her husband for a new assignment).

Dr. Franklin T. Fowler, the Board's medical consultant, is contacting some resigned missionary nurses and missionary nurses now on leave of absence to see if any of them can go to Gaza for two years. Also, Miss Edna Frances Dawkins, head of the medical division of the department for missionary personnel, is seeking registered nurses who can help in Gaza. (For regular missionary appointment, nurses must have a college degree, preferably in nursing, and a year of theological seminary study. For this emergency project any Baptist registered nurse will be considered.)

"This crisis must be met as soon as possible," Dr. Cauthen warned. "By the first of January the hospital will have to greatly curtail its work unless more staff is available."

Dr. Cauthen reported on a conference held in Ankara, Turkey, in October, when he, Dr. John D. Hughey, the Board's secretary for Europe and the Middle East, and representative missionaries from Jordan, Israel, Gaza, Lebanon, Morocco, and Libya spent several days together.

Dr. Cauthen also announced that the new Baptist hospital in Jibla, Yemen, is nearing completion. It is expected to be dedicated in February.

Europe Visit Encouraging
While overseas Dr. Cauthen also made brief stops in Greece, Italy, and Austria. (He returned to the States October 24; Dr. Hughey expects to get back November 21 after visiting several other countries.)

"I am glad to report that the outlook for Baptist work in Italy is more encouraging than it has been in many years," Dr. Cauthen said. "Dr. Hughey and I met with Italian Baptist Leaders and with missionaries. On every hand there were reports of more open doors for evangelistic and greater response to evangelistic efforts now being made."

"It was also encouraging to observe the dedicated, faithful service of the one Southern Baptist missionary couple in Greece and the one in Austria."

Dr. H. Cornell Goerner, secretary for Africa, reported that conditions are almost back to normal in the Western and Northern Regions of Nigeria and are slowly returning to normal in the Mid-western Region.

Nigeria's Eastern Region declared itself the independent nation of "Biafra" in late May. Fighting began when federal forces invaded the secessionist area in July and later spread to the Midwest, which was occupied by rebel troops for more than a month.

"In the West and North, travel is now practically unrestricted, although there are still occasional police checkpoints," Dr. Goerner said.

"Furloughing missionary families with children, held up during the fighting, are now returning to Nigeria. Dr. and Mrs. Jerry B. Gaultney and their family left in early November. They will go directly to Eku, in the Midwest, where Dr. Gaultney will resume his work of directing the medical laboratory at the Eku Baptist Hospital and Training Laboratory Technicians."

(While on furlough Dr. Gaultney received the doctor of philosophy degree in Microbiology from Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge.)

"Rev. and Mrs. Gordon E. Robinson have not yet resumed their work in Warri, since this area was more disrupted by military activities, but Mr. Robinson has made a survey trip to try to determine when they may return."

Dr. Goerner announced that missionaries and national pastors in East and Central Africa have begun making plans for a joint evangelistic effort in 1970. "It is hoped that Baptists in other nations may join to make this an all-Africa crusade," he said.

Miss Minshew Elected
The Board elected Miss Elizabeth Minshew its assistant recording secretary. Miss Minshew has transferred to Dr. Cauthen's office staff from the staff of the department of missionary educa-

tion and promotion.

Appreciation for her more than 20 years' work with that department was expressed in the report of the Board's committee for missionary education and promotion. Miss Minshew began working for the Board February 1, 1945, and went with the education

and promotion department when it was organized in May, 1947. She has served as assistant to the department secretary, as coordinator of missionary education literature and in many other capacities, and as secretary for the education and promotion committee.

Strong Program At Student Convention

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traffic accidents and fatalities."

Dr. Hensley, who is executive director of the Christian Action Commission of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, continuing, said:

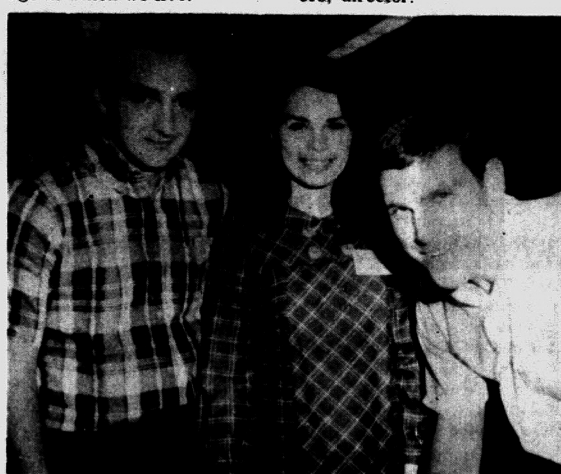
"The National Safety Council has long maintained that any drinking affects the judgment of any driver."

"Alcohol's assault on the teenager is far more dramatic and deadly than on an older person for two reasons: the teenager is both an inexperienced driver and an inexperienced drinker."

Drug Abuse Cited
"Other drug abuse also makes people unsafe drivers. Students and others sometimes substitute pep pills for rest and deplete their energy reserve to a breaking point or a psychological addiction."

Rev. James Yates, pastor of First Baptist Church, Yazoo City, leading a conference on "Sex and Sanity in the Sixties, told the young people:

"An increase in illegitimate births, illegal abortions, and the high incidence of venereal diseases are the price society is paying for the sex-crazed age in which we live."



Rev. Ulvie Fitts, student director at Itawamba Junior College, Fulton, talks with three instrumentalists in east of "Good News." From left, Mary Dier, Columbus; Mr. Fitts; Robert Adams, Kosciusko, and Martha Woolley, Memphis.



Three Mississippi College students are among the early arrivals at Student Convention and are seen registering. From left: Danny Boutwell, Carol Lum and Dale Shepherd.

Christmas Appeal

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love gifts to the Christmas fund.

According to the announcement, friends may send cash contributions to the Village, marking the check or money order so as to designate it for Christmas needs; request a name and statistics of an individual child to the Village offices and allow the staff to do the shopping.

Friends are requested to make all cash gifts payable to The Baptist Children's Vil-

lage, and mail all packages to the Village offices in time to arrive before December 20, if possible.

The mailing address of The Baptist Children's Village is: Box A, Delta Station, Jackson, Mississippi, 39213.

Further information and details may be secured by telephoning the Village offices in Jackson at 922-2242. Friends who wish to do their own shopping for a child or for children are urged to buy clothing.

Nigerian Missionaries In Accident

On Tuesday afternoon at 2:45, Nov. 7, while travelling from Lagos to Ibadan in Nigeria, Cecil and Marie Robertson, Mississippians, were involved in a car accident. A Shell tanker ran them and a large truck which was travelling just ahead of them off the side into the ditch. The Robertsons were riding in an Opel sedan, which, after crashing into the truck ahead, was crushed on the right side by the heavy tanker.

Cecil was only slightly injured, as were the drivers of the trucks and two passengers in the truck ahead. It was necessary to take Marie to the Baptist Hospital at Ogbomoso, almost 100 miles away. There it was found, after examinations were completed, that she had a fractured bone in her left elbow, a bruised ankle, bruises on her back and on the lower section of the rib cage, as well as other minor bruises. She expected to be discharged from the hospital on Sunday, November 18.

The opinion of those who saw the positions of the car and the trucks involved was that the Robertsons' escape from a crash where such heavy trucks were involved was a special Providence.

Mrs. Robertson writes, "This is, to us who have already experienced something of the tensions of the war still going on here, another evidence of God's grace. We are grateful to Him and to friends and families who pray for us."

MC Receives Esso Grant

Mississippi College has received a \$2,500 Esso Education Foundation grant for use during the 1967-68 session according to Dr. R. A. McLemore, college president.

In making the presentation, Esso officials said Mississippi College was one of several hundred educational institutions receiving grants totaling \$2,022,150 in its aid-to-education program.

According to Dr. McLemore, the gift to Mississippi College was a Presidential Contingency grant to help further the undergraduate educational objectives of the institution. This particular grant is available only to private colleges and universities.

Esso officials said that the Presidential Contingency grants went to 201 educational institutions and totaled \$542,500.

Dr. McLemore, in accepting the grant for the college, said, "We are proud that the Esso Education Foundation continues to support our program here at Mississippi College year after year. They have made a number of sizeable contributions to the college and our science program and we appreciate continued support such as this."

CONCERN AWARD

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This was in addition to an estimated \$200,000 worth of labor donated through the committee, as well as furniture, fixtures and equipment valued at \$120,000.

The Lane Bryant Awards were established in 1948 by Lane Bryant, Inc., a national group of special-sized clothing shops, "as a tribute to those dedicated volunteers who devote themselves to the enrichment of the lives of others without thought of personal gain," Mr. Malsin said.

The two top awards of \$1000 each went to Humberto Aponso, of New York City and the Mayor's Bi-Racial Committee and the City of Tampa Community of Human Relations, Tampa, Fla.

The six plaques went to the Committee of Concern of Jackson; the Federation for Handicapped Children, Inc., Manhattan, Kansas; the Oberlin Health Commission, Oberlin, Ohio; Mrs. Ruth Atkins, New York, N. Y.; James N. Dunn, Des Moines, Iowa; Mrs. Nancy B. Harris, Rochester, N. Y.



CAPTAIN PHI MINII HOANG, of the Vietnamese army, is baptized by Rev. James F. Humphries, Southern Baptist missionary associate in Vietnam. While in Maryland for training in 1961 Captain Hoang was befriended by Baptists and attended church with them. Years after the captain returned to his homeland a Baptist from North Carolina, in Vietnam for construction work, invited him to English-language Trinity Baptist Church, Saigon, where Mr. Humphries is pastor. The young officer professed faith in Christ several weeks later.



MRS. EDWARD B. TROTT, native of Meridian and missionary to Brazil, was recently elected president of the Sergipe Baptist Woman's Missionary Union. Here Mrs. Trott (right) discusses that organization's program with other newly-elected officers: Mrs. Darrell Cruse (center-Ky.), vice president, and Mrs. Maria Luiza Araujo Silva, corresponding secretary and treasurer. The Trots were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1957, and after studying the Portuguese language in the southern State of Sao Paulo, moved to Aracaju, Sergipe, in northeast Brazil. They have four children. (Photo by Roberta Hampton)

The Christian Education Problem

By J. Harold Stephens
Pastor, Temple Church
Hattiesburg

The 1967 Mississippi Baptist convention was confronted once again with the needs of Christian Education, but no solution was found for the problems presented. Within the last year Southern Baptists have had what has been called a Blue-Ribbon Committee studying the needs, aims and scope of Christian Education. This Committee was called the Baptist Education Study Task with the abbreviation BEST. Two years ago the Mississippi Baptist Convention authorized a special committee to make a study of our Baptist institutions in the light of Federal funds available, and in the light of the principles of the separation of Church and State. This year another special committee has been at work studying the problems connected with maintaining our Baptist schools. The substance of every report is that we must either increase our support of our Baptist Colleges as a denomination, or face the alternative of curtailing what the colleges have to offer, of securing funds from sources other than our Baptist churches, or releasing the institutions to others who may operate them with the use of whatever funds are available.

In the case of considering the impact of each of the reports, we have arrived at no practical solutions to the problems. We are almost back where we were before the studies were made so far as a solution is concerned, except now we feel more keenly than ever the meaning of "The paralysis of analysis." We

have done a good job of analyzing our problems but a poor job of solving our problems. In the case of every report we are left without any means of implementing or putting into effect any suggestions that have been made by the committees. This is true in as much as the convention voted to substitute the word "suggested" for our board of trustees for the words "recommendation, request, authorization, or implementation." In short, we have learned what is wrong as pertains to needs but we have no practical solution as to what we can do to meet these needs.

My own personal opinion is that there are two possibilities that have, by no means, been exhausted: 1. Baptists of Mississippi can and must do more in supporting our Baptist Colleges. The resources are available among our people for doing more for our colleges. 2. We may have to re-think, re-study, re-evaluate and re-allocate Cooperative Program money in Mississippi so as to provide a greater portion for our colleges. This step, however, is based almost entirely upon how the Baptists of Mississippi rate their colleges as compared with all other undertakings of Mississippi Baptists. The question being one of whether we would give some preferential treatment to our institutions in the budgets while making them subjects of preferred items, accompanied with an earnest appeal to Mississippi Baptists to see if we will really support the preferred item approach with increase giving so that our institutions may receive more funds while other causes may receive no less.—The Builder



"FRIENDS OF CLARKE" MEETING — At a meeting of Clarke College alumni and friends in Jackson recently, officers of the Clarke College Alumni Association were elected, as follows: president, Rev. Donald Wainwright, pastor of West Jackson Church; vice president, Rev. Wendell Gilmore, pastor of Westwood Church, Meridian (not pictured) and J. H. Street, Clarke director of public relations, secretary, Dr. W. L. Compere, president, made the principal address. From left: Mrs. Billy Joe Pierce, Rev. Dan Morton, Miss Mary Sullivan, Rev. Harold Wilder, Rev. Billy Joe Pierce, Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Compere, Rev. and Mrs. Donald Wainwright.

Other State Conventions Act

Kansas Delays Action On Name Change

KANSAS CITY, Kan. (BP) — The Kansas Convention of Southern Baptists meeting here referred to its Executive Committee for further study a proposal to change its name, dropping the word "Southern" and adding the word "Nebraska" to include churches from that state.

The proposal to change the name was introduced last year as a constitutional amendment without debate, but the proposal drew lengthy discussion when it came up for a vote on second reading.

Proposed new name of the convention was Kansas - Nebraska Baptist Convention. The convention's Executive Committee will give the new name further study, but will not take final action on it.

Illinois Votes To Move Offices

VANDALIA, Ill. (BP) — The Baptist State Association of Illinois voted here to move its state-wide offices from Carbondale, Ill., but did not select a new site for relocation or time for the move.

A committee which has been studying the possibility of such a move was authorized to give the matter further study and recommend a place, and date, but the move was definitely approved.

Defeated was an amendment which would have requested the committee to study the matter without making a decision to move.

Action to send The Illinois Baptist, weekly paper of the convention, to every Baptist home is believed to be the first time a state convention has assumed the entire cost of the denominational paper. Many states partially subsidize their papers, but most provide the paper on a church-wide or individual subscription plan.

In Illinois, however, the churches which pay for the paper through their budget were encouraged after Jan. 1, 1968, to send the budgeted amount through the state Cooperative Program budget.

Louisiana Denies Federal Aid To Hospitals

LA FAYETTE, La. (BP) — Although calling on Congress to provide scholarships to all college students, the Louisiana Baptist Convention took other actions which forbid their hospitals from taking federal aid in any form and opposed direct aid to parochial schools.

The convention approved a recommendation from its Executive Board which sets a new policy with regard to federal aid to the three hospitals owned by the conventions.

The report said severing ties with the hospitals would be preferable to accepting any form of federal aid which might allow the government to exert undue control over the hospitals.

Although it denied federal aid to the hospitals in any form, it did allow the hospitals to participate in Medicare and Medi-aid programs.

'Other Wise Man' On Air Dec. 17

"MasterControl" will repeat a drama aired at Easter time as a Christmas special December 17. Consult your local radio log for time. (Jackson, WSLI, 8:30 a.m. Sunday.)

The drama, "The Search," is based on Henry Van Dyke's "The Story of the Other Wise Man." Nick Ramsey, one of the original "MasterControl" hosts, plays the role of Artaban, the other wise man, whose quest of the Saviour spans most of his life.

Artaban, like the other wise men, started out with precious gems for gifts. As his search extended into years, he spent the gems to help a dying Hebrew, to save a child from tyranny, to redeem a girl from slavery.

Finally, in Jerusalem at the time of Christ's crucifixion, he comes to the realization that his search for the King had not been in vain. He had found Him as throughout his life he ministered compassionately to human need.

Kentucky Urges Dual Alignment With Negroes

LOUISVILLE (BP) — The Kentucky Baptist Convention meeting here urged Negro Baptist churches to affiliate with their convention, and encouraged its own white churches to join the Negro Baptist state organization — the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky.

It was the first time in history that a Southern Baptist Convention-affiliated state body had voted to actively seek dual alignment of white and Negro churches in the two SBC and Negro state conventions.

The dual alignment recommendation came in the form of a progress report from a committee appointed last year "to explore, discuss and study the possibilities of combining our convention into one convention of Kentucky Baptists."

In another major action, the convention voted to freeze its annual payments of \$77,010 to Kentucky Southern College here after the college merged one week earlier with the University of Louisville. Kentucky Southern College severed its ties with the convention last March to become a private, Christian college; but in November merged with University of Louisville.

Messengers to the convention, apparently miffed because of the school's merger, voted to appoint a special committee to determine the convention's legal and moral obligations to Kentucky Southern, and to freeze all payments until the committee reports next year.

In March the convention gave Kentucky Southern \$500,000 when the two parted ways, and an additional \$77,010 per

year for five years was pledged to the school.

Florida Delays New College, Honors Maguire

SARASOTA, Fla. (BP) — The Florida Baptist Convention voted here to delay its plans for building a Baptist college near West Palm Beach, and received a report of its two-year church-state study committee, referring its recommendations for more study.

Plans for a Baptist school at Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., near West Palm Beach were delayed because of the possibility that Evangelist Billy Graham might build a school there, and because a state-supported junior college may also be built in North Palm Beach County.

During the convention, Florida Baptists honored their retiring executive secretary and welcomed their incoming executive, and adopted a record \$3.6 million budget.

John Maguire, executive secretary who retires this year, was presented a bound volume of letters of appreciation, a check for \$1,000, a plaque from the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention and a severance gift of \$5,000. He and his wife were also given life occupancy of the home in which they have lived.

Capital Baptists Support War

WASHINGTON (BP) — Baptists in the nation's capital voiced strong support during their annual convention for the administration's position on the war in Vietnam.

While declaring that they "vigorously oppose indiscriminate use of military might,"

the convention adopted a resolution that said:

"We support our nation and those allied with us in the heroic efforts to prevent aggression against South Vietnam, to prevent the suppression of life and liberty of the South Vietnamese, and the multitude of refugees who fled from the Communist regime of North Vietnam, and to establish a viable, self-determined rule by the people of South Vietnam."

A change in the convention's bylaws was adopted to establish a joint committee on cooperation between the D. C. and Maryland conventions. The committee will advise on the establishment of missions and the relocation of churches in the area and will suggest ways for further cooperation between the two conventions.

The committee was also instructed to explore "the requirements, advantages and disadvantages of merger" of the Maryland and D. C. conventions.

Virginia Opens Door For Federal Funds

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (BP) — The Baptist General Association of Virginia voted here to request the trustees of each of their eight schools to formulate their own policy concerning the use of federal funds.

The motion, made by Religious Herald Editor Reuben Alley, excluded the possibility of using federal grants, but it authorized the boards of trustees to examine all other types of federal funds available and set policies on whether to use them.

Alley's motion also called for the education committee of the General Board to plan and direct a special offering to raise \$250,000 for the eight Virginia Baptist Schools.

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Seeking The Cause

There is widespread concern across Mississippi because of the increase in traffic deaths this year over last, a trend which appears to continue year after year.

Traffic deaths in urban areas in 1967 are unusually disturbing. In Jackson, for example, a few days ago, the number of traffic deaths was 22 to date in 1967, compared to 12 in the same period last year. This is an alarming increase of 83%. While the increase for the state as a whole is much lower than this, it still is high enough to cause concern.

Many reasons are being given for this tragic situation. Heavier traffic, poor road conditions, failure of vehicles, etc., are mentioned, but we have noted that one possible cause seldom has been mentioned. Very little has been said about the effect the legalization of liquor in the state may have had on the traffic accident record.

We wonder why this should be overlooked. Reports from other areas of the nation reveal that wherever liquor has been made more easily obtainable, highway deaths always have increased.

Safety councils and other survey groups all reveal that liquor is involved in more than 50% of all highway fatalities.

Since this is true, is it not logical to assume that the increase in liquor consumption in the state in the past seventeen months naturally would bring more highway accidents and fatalities?

Certainly we would not claim that all of the in-

crease must be blamed upon liquor, but just as certainly this factor should not be overlooked.

It would appear that Mississippi is paying a pretty high price in blood and suffering and tears for the increased revenue the state is receiving from legalized liquor.

Our new legislature will do well to make it mandatory that an alcohol content blood test be made in all serious highway accidents. This quickly could clarify the issue as to whether liquor is a cause of increased highway fatalities.

Meanwhile all citizens should support every effort to bring greater safety to the state's highways.

GUEST EDITORIAL

"I Love Thy Church, O God!"

Millard J. Berquist
in The Spire (Midwestern Seminary)

Never before has the church of Jesus Christ been so under attack, so abused, oftentimes unjustly and unfairly, often by her own constituency. Many churches and church leaders and prominent speakers are engaged today in the great campaign of self-destruction, of church demolition. Nothing could please atheistic communism more than to hear the hypocritical and destructive attacks which church leaders make upon their own churches and denominations. Let them repent if they will! But let them repent for themselves! I, for one, feel that the favorite pastime of magnifying the flaws of the church and making her a whipping boy and scapegoat for all the ills of the world is way overdone. We hear the old clichés over and over again that the church is dying; that its ministry is irrelevant and that its work is unrelated to human needs, and the church is failing to minister to hungry masses. I consider this sacrilege, a disservice to and disrespectful of thousands of noble men and women who have preceded us. I spent nearly twenty-seven years in the pastoral ministry and like the Apostle Paul, as

he wrote to the Philippians, I often feel like saying, "I thank God upon every remembrance of you." I might want to say for "almost" every remembrance—for there are some exceptions. But I think I could write a pretty thick volume extolling scores and hundreds of men and women in Christ whom I have known in my churches for their glorious selflessness, their manifold ministries conscientiously performed in the name of Jesus Christ. I just wonder what this nation and world would be like today if they, the church, had not come along that way!

I get weary of hearing and reading about the weaknesses, failures, and impotency of churches and church programs. True, there have been mistakes of omission and commission, and evidence of indifference, injustice and unconcern. There may be much that is wrong with the church in some areas, but I say to you with firm conviction, that there is far more that is right with the church and with Southern Baptist churches than is wrong. Many of us feel that we have sought seriously to fulfill the Great Commission. We have evangelized, we have baptized, we have taught to observe. We have fulfilled the contingencies of his promise, "Lo, I am with you always." We do not believe for one moment that we have been fooling ourselves into supposing that we have experienced his presence. It has been too real and glorious for that. I, along with millions of others, can say, "I found Christ in the church, in the company of his people, and that means all the world to me!"

We need always to take a hard look at things and see how indebted we are to the past and to see how we can improve our own work, but we need spend no more time decrying the church, confessing the sins and shortcomings of others, castigating our spiritual forbears, for most of them deserve far better.

America has a rich legacy, but there is growing evidence that we have failed to inculcate in many of the younger generations a just appreciation of that heritage. Southern Baptists have a rich legacy, and there is a growing evidence of a lack of knowledge of and appreciation for that legacy.



When will Southern Baptists really begin a major ministry among state college students?

Approximately 5% of the nation's urban college students have used LSD at least one time, and perhaps 15% have used marijuana. Though there are no firm statistics on the trend of drugs used, it appears that an increasing number of college students are experimenting with marijuana but that LSD use has stabilized. The age at which persons begin using marijuana and LSD seems to be dropping. New York Times, October 27.

At present the public cannot protect themselves from receiving unsolicited credit cards. Millions of credit cards have been mailed out in recent months, many of them from major oil companies. Most firms assure inquirers that they take pains to mail cards only to good credit risks, but they are sure that competitors mail them out "indiscriminately." One 13-year-old boy receives an oil company card; he mails it back with thanks and the explanation he doesn't drive. A New York financial man gets an unsolicited card from a bank that addressed him as "Miss." Sunray DX Oil receives a card about 100 letters "bawling us out" for unsolicited cards. Phillips Petroleum concedes "there's a certain amount of 'risk' in sending such cards, 'but it's small.'" (The Wall Street Journal, October 26)

A subsidy to employers who hire poor persons who are on welfare roles may be recommended by the Senate Finance Committee. The innovation would be added to the House-passed Social Security bill. (The Wall Street Journal, October 26)

This is a drinking society. 70 million Americans regularly. 6 million Americans are alcoholics. 2 out of 3 drinks are served in the home or in private clubs. 1 out of 4 male admissions to mental hospitals is an alcoholic. 3 out of 4 high-school students have taken at least one drink before graduation. 1 out of 3 U. S. arrests is for public drunkenness. (Newsweek, October 23)

Calendar of Prayer

(This list is not compiled according to birthdays.)

December 11 — John B. Laney, supt. of missions, Jackson County; Joe Johnson, supt. of missions, Jasper County.

December 12 — Hattie Johnson, Baptist Book Store; Mary Nell Jones, Baptist Book Store.

December 13 — Everett Reeves, staff, Children's Village; Mrs. Madeline Ferrell, staff, Wm. Carey College.

December 14 — James L. Platt, faculty, Blue Mountain College; Mrs. Katherine Cain, health director, Gilroy School of Nursing.

December 15 — Ralph B. Winders, Baptist Building; Mrs. Helen Smith, Baptist Building.

December 16 — Victor Vaughn, faculty, Clarke College; Willie Mae Cutrer, Baptist student director, Jones County Junior College.

December 17 — Mrs. Retha S. Baker, faculty, Mississippi College; Thomas T. Boswell, faculty, Mississippi College.

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Somebody Cared

By Dr. W. Morris Ford

Some of the most arresting words ever written are found in one of the Psalms of David (142:4). He cried, "I looked on my right hand, and behold, but there was no man that would know me; refuge failed me: no man cared for my soul." By soul the psalmist meant his whole life: his comfort, his safety, his welfare.

This is a common complaint: "Nobody cares what happens to me." Unfortunately there is too much truth here. Like the priest and the Levite we pass by on the other side. Oh, but there are still the Good Samaritans among us; there are those who care. I was fascinated recently when I read the account of a letter written by the famed heart specialist at Baylor Baptist Medical School, Dr. Michael DeBakey. A seven year old girl had written this question to the great doctor: "Does a plastic heart have love in it?" Dr. DeBakey wrote:

"Yes, a plastic heart does have love in it, a very great deal of love.

"The love in a plastic heart is the love of many people who love other people, and don't want them to die.

"So these people work all day and often all night to build a heart that will make people live longer.

"If you can think of how much love there would be in hundreds of hearts, then that is how much love there is in a plastic heart."

People in the United States have a reputation for caring. Millions of dollars are given annually to fight dread diseases like polio, cancer, tuberculosis, heart ailments, muscular dystrophy, etc. Not only that but vast armies of men and women work as volunteers in countless organizations designed to minister to human needs.

But just a moment, please: how about the word soul? Granted, it was used by the psalmist to indicate total life. Then we cannot ignore the key meaning of "soul."

Who cares as much for a soul as for a diseased heart, a crippled leg, or a damaged brain? The ministry of Jesus was a total ministry. Note how often he climaxed his ministry of healing the physical with "Thy sins be forgiven thee, go in peace."

Somebody cared and a poverty stricken family had a new start.

Somebody cared and a burned out family had a new home.

Somebody cared and a crippled girl walked.

Somebody cared and a blind boy saw the light.

Who cares enough to tell the world that Jesus Christ died for the lost? Who cares enough to tell heart-hungry people everywhere that Jesus

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New Books

"WE CAMPED AT HEAVEN'S GATE" by Indy (Mrs. Charles W.) Whitten. (Baptist Publishing House, Rome, Italy. \$1.00. Can be ordered at the Baptist Bookstore in Jackson, Mississippi; the Baptist Bookstore in Birmingham, Alabama or from W. A. Whitten, Box 135, Weir, Mississippi.)

This little book is the testimony of a Southern Baptist missionary couple in Spain to the power of prayer in their lives as they experienced a near fatal traffic accident. Intercessory prayer plays an important part, since the accident took place on Charles Whitten's birthday and the prayer calendar caused people in many different parts of the world to pray for him. This little book will be a personal - experience reminder that "His grace is sufficient."

ISRAEL, ACT III by Richard Wolff (Tyndale House, paper \$4pp.)

The world watched in amazement last summer at little Israel's lightning-like defeat of the surrounding Arab nations, which had threatened to completely annihilate her. Immediately Bible students began to ask, "Does this have any significance, in the light of Bible prophecy?" This author deals with that question and related ones. He divides the book into three sections, The Chosen People, Survival in Human Jungle, and The Return. He studies the promises of God concerning Israel, her amazing survival through the centuries, and the promise that she would be back in her own land at the time of the resurrection.

cared enough to give his life as a "ransom for many?" He cares for us.

turn of Christ. The author does not say that the present events fulfil prophecy, but rather looks at them in the light of prophecy.

THE CHRISTIAN PARENT TEACHES ABOUT SEX by Edsel Schweizer (Augsburg, paperback, 112 pp., \$1.95)

In this book is a complete range of sex instruction material for each age level—both as to method of instruction and terminology. Throughout the book, the emphasis is on the Christian concept of sex. The author has based the book on 15 years of discussion with young people in his adolescent psychology courses at Luther College, Decorah, Iowa.

THE WOMEN OF THE BIBLE by Herbert Lockyer Zondervan, 321 pp.)

This invaluable new reference volume provides a convenient commentary on all the named and unnamed women of the Bible from Abi to Zipporah. It is important as a sourcebook of little known facts and events in the lives of Bible women. Its companion volume, All the Men of the Bible, was published around ten years ago.

A BLADE OF GRASS by Gladys and Gordon De Free (Zondervan, 189 pp.)

The authors, a husband and wife team of missionaries to Hong Kong, wrote these rich meditations out of their own daily devotional times.

WINDOWS IN HEAVEN by V. Raymond Edman (Moody, 61 pp., paperback)

A book of devotionals by the Chancellor of Wheaton College, on such subjects as "God Opens the Windows," "A Shadow at the Window," "The Man at the Window," "The Windows of Home." Illustrated with striking photographs of scenes from nature. Cover photo in full color.

Praises Trinidad Student

Dear Dr. Odle:

In a recent article in your paper, there was a warning against a person from Trinidad who was soliciting funds in various churches. Although I realize it was unintentional, the absence of any name being given in the article has created an unfortunate condition. We have, in our church, a young man from Trinidad whose name is Frank Ramnarine. Frank is not soliciting funds from anyone and is of the highest moral and Christian character.

Frank was converted out of a Hindu home. His conversion caused him to be ejected from his home, and only the friendship of one of our missionaries made possible his inspiring story. He arrived in this country with two shirts, one pair of pants, and no money. Helped by Florida Baptist, he enrolled in the Baptist Bible Institute of Graceville, Florida. Upon completion of work there, he entered William Carey College and became a member of our church. He hopes now to enter the Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, next year for additional training. His dream is to return to Trinidad as a full-time evangelist among his people.

Mr. Ramnarine has spoken in our church and many others in this area. Few persons give a more sincere or moving presentation of the saving power of Jesus Christ. The only money Frank has received has been the honorariums for his preaching and help from various individuals in our church and in other churches who want to see this man's preparation unhindered.

Therefore, I would give the fullest commendation to Frank Ramnarine as an individual and the strongest possible recommendation of him as a speaker before any group anywhere. He is working now with a small and struggling church in our city, working with their young people and can be contacted in care of our church or William Carey College.

Graham L. Hales, Pastor
University Baptist Church
P. O. Box 1084
Hattiesburg, Miss. 39401

(Editor's Note: The warning mentioned above came

graphs of scenes from nature. Cover photo in full color.

THE PRAYER LIFE by Charles Usher (Christian Literature Crusade, 50 pp., paperback, 50 cents)

A study on the vital theme of prayer, with many practical suggestions.

The Baptist Forum

from The Foreign Mission Board, and did not mention a name. However, it appears that the person will be identified by the type of solicitation for a non-Baptist orphanage. We are sure that the Foreign Mission Board had no intention of injuring splendid students like Mr. Ramnarine.)

Montana Thanks Simpson County

We the people of Central Baptist Church, Lewistown, Montana, wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the fine people of the Simpson County Baptist Association who have so faithfully supported the Lord's work in central Montana.

We live in a city of approximately 7500 population with the larger area comprising about 8500 people. On any given Sunday there are no more than 2500 people attending all the churches. This is unofficial, but according to surveys, etc., only 40% of the people in Montana are identified with any church. This leaves 60% of the total population unreached for Christ and His church.

The Central Baptist Church is 100 miles away from any other Southern Baptist Church in Montana. This calls for an extended ministry in the central part of the state.

We have the opportunity of having a fifteen-minute weekly broadcast over the local radio station. The weekly cost will be only \$7.00. We are praying that funds will be available soon to begin this needed ministry. We believe a radio program would be very valuable to the Lord's work in Lewistown. One family drives 40 miles to attend the Central Baptist Church as a result of hearing the pastor on the radio, and we are sure that many more people would make the same response.

Again, thank you so much,

Simpson County Baptists, and if you would like to keep in touch with the Lord's work in Central Montana, send your name and address to:
Central Baptist Church
% Pastor Ernest Blair
Box 952
Lewistown, Montana 59457

Treasures Old Baptist Records

Gentlemen:

Enclosed find 10 cents to cover cost of the September 27, 1877 issue of the Baptist Record.

I am looking forward to reading this old copy, which I know will be most interesting, as all Baptist Records are.

I have a copy, which is not too old — September 8, 1927, but one I prize very highly. This Baptist Record, Old Series, Volume XLIX, New Series, Volume XXIX, No. 36, carries a story and picture of my grandfather, the late Rev. S. R. Young. He was an active minister of the gospel for 52 years, and after moving to Jackson in 1866 from Abbeville, S. C., he married my grandmother and was baptized by the late Rev. J. L. Pettigrew in 1875. He was a Methodist at that time.

In later years, ages 85-89, he was visiting pastor in the now Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson, assisting the late Dr. H. M. King, who married my husband and me, assisted by Grandfather.

Grandfather died in the Baptist Hospital at the age of 91. So you see why I look forward to receiving this old copy to be filed, along with my other copies, for future use, if the need ever arises. In other words, I cannot part with them.

May the Baptist Record always continue to be the paper all Baptist people read and cherish.

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And the light of a lovely soul.

Every Youth has a task of his own,
For the Father his will he does,
Youth seeks the way, and He alone,
Can show him the path to go.

Every youth has a lovely Guide,
From the vale to the mountain crest;
For the Unseen Friend who walks beside,
Is the Way and the End of the Quest.
—Mary S. Edgar
"The Chimes"
South Side, Meridian

Forest Honors Football Team

On Sunday night, November 5, Forest Church honored the members of the ninth grade and high school football teams with a special service centered on the theme, "The Scoreboard of Life," and a supper.

Coaches Ken Bramlett, Parker Dykes, Warren Crain, and Ken Gordon, all members of the Forest Church, were responsible for having the team present. Following the evening service approximately 100 of the young people remained for a fellowship period, under the direction of A. V. Windham — youth director, and the supper that was prepared by a number of the adults.

Rev. Frank W. Gunn is pastor.

"The modern teenagers are truly America's lonely people, who stand aghast at adult comprehension of their situation." —Jess Moody



THE CANDLELIGHTERS, a musical group from Temple Church, Hattiesburg, performed at one of the afternoon sessions during the meeting of the Mississippi Baptist Convention in Jackson.

Chilean Students Meet

Baptist university students in Chile recently assembled in Santiago, the national capital, for their first national congress. Thirty-five young people came from schools in Valdivia, Temuco, Autogastaga, Concepcion, Valparaiso, and Santiago — thus representing a 1,000-mile stretch of their long narrow nation.

Leonel Valdivia was elected president of the student organization. Speakers included Jose Giordano, president of the Chilean Baptist Convention, and Dr. H. Cecil McConnell, Southern Baptist missionary and president of the Chilean Baptist Theological Seminary, Santiago.



LUIS ZURITA, editor, displays Baptist student magazine, *Reflexiones*, during breakfast at the recent Chilean Baptist student congress. Mr. Zurita is both student and pastor. (Photo by Melvin E. Tenbrink)



OF THE 1,114 STUDENTS enrolled at Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky., this semester, 27 list Mississippi as their home state. From left they are: (front row) Green Hill; Collins; Connie Russell; Horn Lake; Martha Gray; Coffeeville; Bonna Whitten; Corinth; Janice Robinson; Ellenville; Mardian Hoxey; Savannah, Tennessee; Kenneth Walters, Forest; (second row) Clyde Morgan, Forest; Keith Rogers, Silver Creek; Phil Portenberry, Tylerstown; Ed Benson, Marks; Jack Grisham, Bonshelmer, Louisiana; Tom Dunlap, Natchez; David Myers, William Harris, Marous Smith, Allen Stephens. Second row, Don Crain, M. L. Faler, Irv Goss, Freeman Williamson, David Southerland.



MISSISSIPPI is champion again this year in the New Orleans Seminary intramural football league. The Mississippi eleven have marched by every state team of the Seminary for three consecutive years. This year's record was blemished only by one tie score. Included on the team are several former high school and college football stars. Team members are: First row left to right, Robert Fein, Bill Raley, Edgar Lee Wright, William Harris, Marcus Smith, Allen Stephens. Second row, Don Crain, M. L. Faler, Irv Goss, Freeman Williamson, David Southerland.

Less Frills For Christmas, Swedish Baptist Youth Ask

Buy a smaller ham and less frills for Christmas dinner. Don't be as lavish with gifts exchanged in the family and among friends. Give the difference in money to relief work in India, asks the youth society of the Baptist Union of Sweden.

The youth group is circulating what is called "relief coins." For every five crowns (almost \$1.00, US) forwarded through the society for relief work, one "relief coin" that shines like gold is sent to the donor. The suggestion is made that the coins be placed in a dish on the Christmas table.

to indicate that some of the Christmas dinner money went to aid the world's poor and needy instead.

"Our intentions are to make people pay less attention to the consumer and commercial aspects of the holiday," writes Lennart Granath of Stockholm, youth leader for the Baptist Union of Sweden. "Instead we want them to meditate on the birth of Jesus, and to try to help poor and lonely people as Jesus did."

Also the society offers Christmas cards with a religious message which can be sent out instead of the normal store-bought cards. The cards give essentially this message:

"Facing world need and hunger, it seems unchristian to celebrate Christmas in the usual, highly commercial manner. Christmas is really the season to think of Christ, who surrendered his glory to come to earth to share the sufferings of mankind."

Baptist churches are being asked, if possible, to remain open on Christmas Day and to serve a Christmas meal. Since many restaurants will close for the day, strangers may find it difficult to locate a place to eat. Churches in central locations may be able to make contacts with outsiders that would not be possible otherwise.

Christian families should invite foreigners and family-less people into their homes for Christmas to spread fellowship and good cheer, the youth society believes. Visits to shut-ins at home and in the hospital are encouraged at Yuletide.

A similar effort is being carried on by the youth movement in the Orebro Mission, another group of Baptists in Sweden. (EBPS)

Library Opened For Philippine Students

A library with more than 2,000 volumes and a study area seating 14 persons was opened at the Baptist student center in Manila, Philippines, on October 1.

Leaders in the establishment of the library were Mrs. Howard D. Olive, Southern Baptist missionary, Mrs. Ed Hunnicutt, wife of a U. S. Air Force adviser, and Mrs. Bill Mason, wife of a U. S. AID.

Many religious books for the library were already in hand when an appeal for used textbooks was made to Baptist students in Tennessee last year. They contributed hundreds of volumes. The task of accessioning and cataloging the books began in January, 1967. Ten bookcases were given by persons interested in the project.



IN THE SMALL CEMETERY at Crewe, Virginia, Sharon Chumney, Junior GA of Jackson, stands beside Lottie Moon's grave (top photo.) Nearby (in bottom photo) are the graves of Miss Moon's father and brother and his wife. Her father was a Confederate soldier (grave marked by small cross in foreground.)

Jackson GA Visits Lottie Moon's Grave

By Sharon Chumney
Junior GA
Broadmoor Church, Jackson

This summer, while on vacation, I visited Lottie Moon's grave in the small cemetery at Crewe, Virginia. Since I have been in Girls' Auxiliary, first at Ridge Church, Richmond, Virginia, and then at Broadmoor Church, Jackson, I have learned to appreciate Lottie Moon.

I moved to Jackson from Richmond, Va., in August, 1966. I think it is rather interesting that Lottie Moon's final resting place is only about twenty miles from my grandparents' home. I pledge to visit her grave site every opportunity that I have, and pay respects to one of Baptists' most loved missionaries.

At the head of Miss Moon's grave, the women of Virginia have placed a monument of marble. On it they carved her name, then the two dates: 1840-1912, and these words: "Forty years a missionary in North China" and "Faithful Unto Death."

High over the balcony in the Baptist church at Crewe, Va., is a glowing, golden memorial window dedicated to Lottie Moon. Across the full width at the bottom of the window, in golden letters, is the inscription: "Go ye, therefore, into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

Lottie Moon
The mansion of Viewmont is probably the oldest house still standing in Albemarle County, Virginia. Charlotte Moon was born there December 12, 1840. In 1864,

plans were made for Charlotte, (called Lottie) to attend Virginia Female Seminary. In 1869 Dr. John A. Broadus held a revival in the Charlottesville Baptist Church. During that meeting Lottie made the complete surrender to her Lord.

She applied to the Foreign Mission Board for appointment to North China and was appointed July 7, 1873. Miss Moon asked the Woman's Missionary Union of the Southern Baptist Convention (which had been organized May 11, 1888) if they might raise a special Christmas offering to be used for sending missionaries to her station. The women gave enough to support two missionaries. (Seventy-five years have passed. Today, in Southern Baptist churches, the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, is the largest mission offering taken during the year.)

She had expected to retire in 1912, but because she was in poor health, due to the famine in China, she began her journey home in December, 1902, on the steamer Manchuria. She was very tired and ill. Miss Cynthia Miller, a missionary nurse, was with her, but in spite of all that could be done, Miss Moon died December 24, 1912, in Kobe, Japan. Someone has said that she was "a Christmas gift to heaven, for 'twas Christmas Eve!"

Japanese laws said that the body must be cremated. Sorrowfully, Miss Miller brought the little urn of ashes to the States, where they were buried at Crewe, Va.

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Dean Penrose St. Amant of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary here recently sounded a challenge to incoming seminarians to give creative and responsible loyalty to the programs and objectives of the Southern Baptist Convention, and not to forget the sacrifices and faithfulness of men in the past.

"The people who make up the churches of the Convention make this seminary possible," he told the seminary's 100th entering class. "Like you," he continued, "I am sometimes frustrated by this sprawling, diverse and conglomerate Convention, and, like you, I am sometimes inspired by it."

He noted that Southern Seminary has broad ecumenical concerns and shares in a continuing dialogue with the Christian world. This must continue, he said, but it is also the responsibility of the seminary faculty and students to respond to the needs of the Convention and to provide leadership for it.

"We must be critical, even

daring," he added, "but let it be in the context of a positive appreciation of our heritage. Let's seek to make our heritage more meaningful and significant in our time. Let's not spend our lives in a kind of rebellion against it, as if there were some utopian alternative some place else."

St. Amant, who just completed a term as chairman of the SBC Historical Commission, recalled that the contributions of former seminary professors Boyce, Robertson, Sampey, Carver and others had led many into more productive lives of Christian service.

Also, he said, "we are here because of the homes and churches that nurtured us, the parents who prayed for us, the wives who stood by us, and the God who laid His hand upon us."

It is important for seminarians to remember why they have come to the seminary for preparation: "because conventional Christianity is not enough and we know in our hearts that Christianity is really a creed for heroes and is, therefore, a mighty force which can give radiance to life," he said.

Men and women in Christian service often have difficulty maintaining this "radiance," he remarked, because even this exuberant,

Holiday Hike On Appalachian Mountain Trail

The boys and men, age 15 and over, of Druid Hills Church, Atlanta, Ga., were invited to a Thanksgiving holiday hike on the Appalachian Trail.

Those who signed up for the 35-mile hike from Clingman's Dome to Fontana Dam left the church Thursday, Nov. 23, at 2 p. m. and camped in Cherokee, N. C. that night. They left Clingman's Dome Friday at 9, hiked ten miles, and spent the night at Derick Knob. Saturday they hiked another ten miles to Mollie's Ridge. Sunday morning they hiked to Shuckstack Mountain (4,020 feet high) and had their morning worship service overlooking Fontana Dam.

At Fontana Dam they had lunch, and returned to Atlanta late Sunday afternoon. A confidence, victorious spirit

can be dulled by routine. "Keep the radiance," he said, because "it gives significance to all the rest."

The church historian, who serves as dean of Southern Seminary's school of theology, listed the Christian heroes of the past — men like Roger Williams, Obadiah Holmes, Henry Dunster and John Taylor — and the "little band of Baptists (who) pushed the Reformation beyond the Reformers."

"We are here because Augustine held high the torch of faith. . . because Luther dared the authorities of both church and state. . . because a man named Hubmaier refused to compromise his convictions," the dean recalled.

"We are here because we believe Jesus Christ is the most significant person and the events clustered about Him are the most significant events in the whole range of human history. We have been strangely gripped by Him. Let us pledge our allegiance to Him anew."



MISS VICKI PHILLIPS, from Jackson, Miss., now associate in education and youth at First Baptist Church, Canton, N. C., is accepting applications for a European tour July 11 - August 1, 1968. The highlight of the \$1302 tour will be the Baptist Youth World Conference at Berne, Switzerland. Other cities to be visited will include Heidelberg, Rome, and London. Interested persons may contact Miss Phillips at Box 587, Canton, N. C. 28716 (phone 648-2367).

Banquet Honors Phillipston Girls

Phillipston Church, Sidon, on November 4 gave a banquet honoring the GA's and YWA's. Members of the WMU, and the mothers of the girls were invited.

Those on program included Rev. A. R. Garrison, pastor; Mrs. Charles Ray of North Greenwood Church; Debbie Clanton; and Alice Teal. Installation of officers was a part of the program.



INTERNATIONAL Baptist youth congress gets underway in Guatemala City, Guatemala. (Photos by Gerald S. Harvey)

Baptist Youth Plan For Americas Crusade

More than 100 Baptist young people from the United States, Mexico, and Central America gathered in Guatemala City for a youth congress, November 7-12.

Coming from as far as San Antonio, Tex., and Juarez, Mexico, to the north and Nicaragua and El Salvador to the south, they met with missionaries and national Baptist leaders to discuss the role of the Christian young person in his career and in his life. They gave special attention to what young people can do in the Crusade of the Americas, hemispheric evangelistic campaign to culminate in 1980, reports Dr. A. Clark Scammon, Southern Baptist missionary.



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Trinity Baptists Dedicate Building

On Sunday, November 26, at 11:00 A.M. a dedication service was held at Trinity Church, Fulton. Dr. Foy Rogers, Secretary, Cooperative Missions Department, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, was the guest

speaker. Dr. Rogers had served the church in the past as interim pastor.

Trinity entered a three-point expansion program last spring which consisted of buying two adjacent lots, completely remodeling the pres-

ent building, and constructing a new educational building. When the remodeling project was almost completed, a fire swept the building, severely damaging the work that had been done. By the grace of God, the Church started all

over again and has now completed the entire project.

The sanctuary of the old building was enlarged and wall-to-wall carpeting installed. Also, a choir room, office, library, and pastor's study, was placed in the remodeled structure. A new building was added, consisting of a large Nursery, Beginner Department, two Primary Departments, Junior Department, Young People's Department, kitchen, and Fellowship Room which will also double as the Intermediate Department. A parking lot is now under construction.

Open House was held on Sunday afternoon of Dedication Day and many visitors and friends of the church saw the new facilities.

The Building Committee was composed of Boyce McNeece, Chm., T. L. Clayton, Forrest Ramey, Guy Youngblood, and Bill Gregory. The pastor is Rev. Horace C. Thomas.

The Sunday School Lesson

THE INTERNATIONAL LESSON—LIFE AND WORK CURRICULUM— Can There Be Peace On Earth? Worship Through Service

By Clifton J. Allen
Micah 4

Micah was a prophet of hope. He believed in the God of salvation. The basis for Micah's hope was his faith that God would bring to fulfillment his covenant promise in the Messiah. The messianic reign would mean the deliverance of God's people and an era of peace and righteousness. Our lesson passage is a poetic description of God's people fully devoted to him.

The Lesson Explained
PEACE THROUGH UNIVERSAL WORSHIP
(vv. 1-2)

The closing verses of chapter 3 describe Zion or Jerusalem in total destruction. But Micah believed that better days would come. He believed in the coming of God's Messiah. The "last days" pointed to the closing period of the future. The situation described by Micah is one of universal worship. "The house of the Lord shall be established" in ascendancy—in the attention and devotion of all people. The people of all nations will turn to God in streaming multitudes. In their spiritual devotion and enthusiasm they will persuade others, saying, "Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord." The worship of God will be inseparably related to instruction in the ways of the Lord. **PEACE WITH JUSTICE AND FREEDOM** (vv. 3-5)

The prophet thought of God also as the Judge of the nations. He would "rebuke strong nations," that is, decide or arbitrate between them according to justice and righteousness. It is on this basis that peace can come. When men acknowledge God as Lord and learn from him the ways of peace with justice, they will have no need for instruments of war and weapons of destruction. They will give themselves no longer to the works of destruction but rather to the arts of peace.

When there is justice, people can live in freedom and enjoy security. There will be

no reason for suspicion or fear of strife. People can enjoy the quiet security of their own homes and give themselves to the creative work that will mean security of person and substance. This is God's will for mankind: "the mouth of the Lord of hosts hath spoken it." God even decrees the sanctity of the freedom of conscience.

PEACE THROUGH THE POWER OF THE LORD
(vv. 6-7)

The era of peace can never come apart from the mighty acts of God—supremely, the mighty redemption of God in Christ. Peace will come as God intervenes to redeem and restore and heal his people. God's restoration of a remnant of Judah, following the Babylonian captivity, was his means of carrying forward his redemptive purpose and work. God did, indeed, assemble the halting and limping and "gather the scattered and afflicted." This suggests the much higher level of God's spiritual redemption. There will come a time when unnumbered multitudes, cast off in unbelief and rebellion and corruption and helplessness, will be recovered and will become the glad subjects of the Lord in Mount Zion forever.

Truths to Live By

Peace is the purpose of God.—Nations and individuals who foster strife and promote war are surely under the judgment of God. More important still, this truth means that God is creatively active to bring peace to the earth. The resources of his power and wisdom are being expended, though in ways we cannot comprehend, to bring peace to the earth. If Christians are involved in the activity of war—as indeed multiplied thousands are at the present and millions may be in the future—they can pray that the God of overruling mercy and eternal dominion will somehow make the very strife in which they are engaged the means for the coming of a new and stronger peace.

Men can learn the ways of peace.—It is, of course recognized that human ingenuity alone is not enough. God in Christ is the hope of peace. But humble people and brilliant persons alike can work for peace. Peace begins in the circle of interpersonal relationship, whether in the home, the factory or a community. If Christians are committed to the purpose of God for peace, they can learn to ignore slights, grievances, and insults; and this will make for peace. They can answer the call of God to become skilled craftsmen, working for peace in industry, working for peace between races, and working for peace among the nations.

The goal of peace points to the Prince of peace.—We are approaching the Christmas season a time which calls us to special rejoicing and celebration for the coming of the Son of God to save his people from their sins. All this may well bring to focus our recognition of the significance of his incarnation, our realization that he made peace by the blood of his cross, and our awareness that the living Christ is our hope for peace on earth.

By Bill Duncan
Matt. 21: 28-32; John 21: 15-22

A natural response to worship in service. When one is a true worshiper, he does not have to be urged to serve for he serves spontaneously through many avenues of expression. Stanfield said, "One who has been in God's presence will want to minister in God's stead."

It is important that we remember to worship as we serve. Too often those who are supposed to be leaders of worship get so busy leading others to worship that they fail to worship. There needs to be a sense of God's presence and fellowship with them. This will make the service meaningful and significant.

Practice Is Better Than Profession
Matthew 21: 28-32

This short parable tells of the response of two sons to the command of their father. One of the sons refused to go but afterwards repented and did the command of his father. The other gave a ready response of obedience but failed to make his response good. Jesus applied this parable to the Pharisee as the disobedient and the publicans and harlots, who were despised, as the obedient.

The command was given to the two sons, "Go, work today in my vineyard." This command is that of one who is a father with an everlasting love. This command is addressed to these sons individually. They were not necessarily to do the same work because all the tasks are different, based upon the workers' ability and personality. The time of the command to work was expressed in the present. The call for service always recognizes the personal freedom of the workers as it is in this parable.

The response of the first son speaks of rebellion and disrespect. However, the change of conduct and attitude speaks of repentance. The delay of response must be remembered as waste of time and talent. Not only do we rejoice that he changed his mind, but the father is pleased also.

The second son's response speaks of courtesy, but fail-

ure to carry through with the decision brings remorse. He was obligated to respond even before he made the decision which said, "I go, Sir." He should have been willing to serve simply because he was a son. The promise only increased the obligation. He simply did not obey his father's wishes to serve in the vineyard.

Neither son would bring full glory to the father. The correct response should have been I will serve, and then do so. As one worships God there is always the command to do. No one can really worship God without feeling deep obligation which says, "I must."

Service Is Based Upon Love
The scene is one of the post Resurrection appearance of Jesus to his disciples. This was a soul searching experience for Peter who had been the spokesman of fidelity in loyalty and service. Jesus asked Peter twice the question, "Simon, son of Jonas, do you love me more than these?" There are two meanings that this question could have: (1) It could mean, "Are you prepared to abandon this boat and equipment, which speaks of a job and comfort?" (2) It could also mean, "Simon, do you love me more than these fellow disciples?" Most likely both are implied, but the answer implies that Peter does not make comparisons with others any more. The answer that he gives is, "You know that I love you."

The third time Jesus questioned Peter, he said, "Do you love me." In this way Jesus was reminding Peter how once he thought that alone he could be true, but how that courage had left his heart. If Peter loves Jesus, then there is an opportunity to demonstrate that love by two things. He is given an opportunity to serve by shepherding the sheep and lambs of Christ's flock. This service was to be in love. He also is given an opportunity to pay the supreme price of love by death. This service involves sacrifice. Jesus said, "If any man will follow me, let him take up his cross . . ." Love brought Peter a task and a cross.

We, too, are called to love the one we serve. If love is not the motive of service, it will profit us nothing. The more we worship God, the more we will love Him and want to serve Him.


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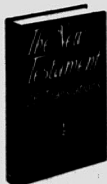
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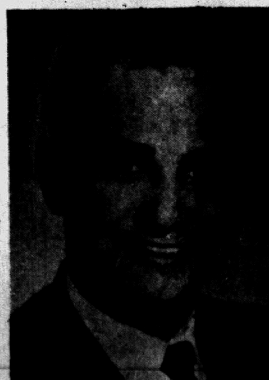
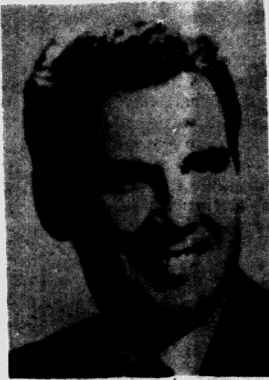


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Within the past several months the Lord has called five men to preach, and one teen-age girl to the foreign mission field, from the Clinton Boulevard Church, Jackson. All of the men have been ac-

tively engaged in personal soul winning and preaching as laymen over a long period of time. Mr. Hines and Mr. Lewis have served as Deacons and Mr. Rodgers is serving, at the present time, as Sunday School Superintendent. Mr. Haley is the teacher of the Adult men's Bible class and Mr. Peters has recently returned from a trip to South Africa and the Middle East, where he served as a lay evangelist on the Crusade team to South Africa. Mr. Peters surrendered to the ministry

while in East London, S. A. All of these men are married with families. Miss Sue Minter, the young lady who surrendered, for mission work, is a junior high school student.

The Clinton Boulevard Church is completing a new sanctuary which they hope to move into by the middle of December. The new structure will seat approximately 485. Rev. J. H. Royalty, Pastor, states that these men are well qualified for supply work and can be contacted by calling 922-1250. All of them have been licensed by the church.

Names In The News

Rev. James Smith has moved to the pastorate of Fernwood Church, Gulf Coast Association, from Gulf Gardens Church, Gulfport.

Rev. Lonnie Knight is interim pastor at First Church, Mississippi City.

Dr. E. N. Wilkinson, Sr. is interim pastor at Gulf Gardens, Gulfport.

Rev. James Lawrence has accepted the call as pastor of Riverside Church, Gulf Coast Association. He was formerly minister of education at Broadmoor Church, Gulfport.

Dick Simmons is the new minister of education at First Church, Long Beach. He came to the state from Parkview Church, Baton Rouge, La.

Rev. David Townsend is the new pastor of Mt. Zion Church in Simpson County.

V. H. Buchanan and W. C. Collins, Jr. were ordained as deacons by the Houka Church on Sunday, November 26. Rev. Julian West is pastor.

Rev. Mel C. Craft recently marked his second anniversary as pastor of First Church, Magee.

Rev. Robert E. Huffman of Houston, Mississippi, began as pastor of Pilgrim's Rest Church here, Slocumb, Ala., November 22. His last pastorate, before moving to Graceville, Fla., last September to enroll in Baptist Bible Institute, was with Ephesus Church, Scott County, Miss. Mrs. Huffman was Martha Joe Stegall of Pontotoc, Miss.

Churches In The News

Calvary, Simpson County, has procured some doors and pews from Magee, First Church, and plans considerable improvement on building and floors, and eventually to enlarge the auditorium and add some Sunday school rooms.

Oak Grove, Simpson County, has brick-venered their building, added a vestibule, and built new steps.

Forrest Avenue Church, Gulf Coast, held a church-wide retreat on December 2, on the grounds of Keesler Air Force Base.

Olivet Church, Gulf Coast, has begun remodeling the present auditorium, and construction of new educational space.



A CLASS IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AT Mississippi College visited several Baptist points of interest in Jackson on a recent day and concluded the journey at the Baptist Building. The group, led by Dr. Norman O'Neal, professor of religious education, took part in the program of "in-service" training sponsored by the Cooperative Missions Department of the State Convention Board in which the students study Baptist denominational life and work.

Magazine Dedicated To Dr. Dobbins

The December issue of Church Administration magazine is dedicated to Dr. Gaines Dobbins, who has been called "Mr. Church Administration."

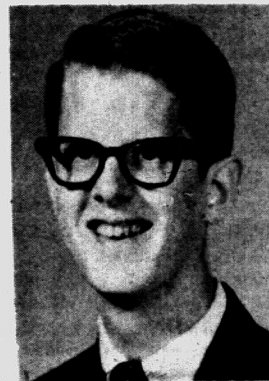
Dr. Dobbins is featured on the cover of the magazine in the first four-color cover the publication has been used. An editorial points up his many contributions to Southern Baptist life.

Distinguished professor of church administration for over fifty years, at Southern Seminary and Golden Gate, he is now teaching at Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama. (He has retired twice!)

Special articles in the magazine include "50 Years of Church Administration As I Have Seen It Unfold," by Dr. Dobbins, and "Pioneer in Church Administration," tributes from persons who have known him through the years.

The issue contains many pictures, including ones taken when he graduated from Mississippi College in 1908, and when he was pastor at New Albany in 1916.

(He is a native of Mississippi.)



Licensed At 1st, Ellisville

Sunday, November 26, First Church, Ellisville, licensed Phil Myers to the Gospel Ministry.

Phil, a senior at Oklahoma Baptist University at Shawnee, Oklahoma, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Myers of Ellisville. Active in church work for many years, he dedicated his life to full-time Christian Service in the area of Religious Education, during the church's 1967 Spring Revival Crusade. He served the Ellisville Church during August of 1967 as Youth Director, Youth Pastor and Assistant Director of the church's first Youth Retreat. After graduation, he plans to attend Southwestern Seminary.

Rev. Hardy R. Denham, Jr. is the pastor.

State Youth Music

Tournament And Workshop

(For Tenth, Eleventh, and Twelfth Graders in High School Only)

March 1-2, 1968, Clarke College, Newton

Those tenth, eleventh, and twelfth graders in the PIANO (including classical selections) and VOCAL divisions who receive a SUPERIOR rating at the district festival are eligible to participate in the State Youth Music Tournament and Workshop to be held March 1-2 at the Music Building, Clarke College, Newton. Registration will begin on Friday afternoon at 4:30 P.M., March 1, at the Music Building. The event will conclude Saturday, March 2, at 1:00 P. M.

Here the student will be given opportunity to perform for experienced musicians including music faculty members from the Baptist colleges. They will also be judged. In addition, the students will have an opportunity to hear artists perform.

Each student will be responsible for his own expenses in connection with the state tournament and workshop. This cost will probably range from \$5 to \$10, plus travel.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Persons earning a superior rating at the state tournament will receive a scholarship of one week's expenses at one of the Youth Music Weeks at Gulfshore in 1968. The dates are First Youth Music Week, June 17-22, 1968; Second Youth Music Week, July 8-13, 1968. Those attending will be given an opportunity to perform. These persons will be responsible for travel expenses only.

Music faculties from one or more of the Baptist schools in Mississippi may also offer scholarships to their schools. Of course, the final decision will be left up to the individual school and/or faculty.

(Note: The 1968 District Festivals Pamphlet has been mailed to each church. Additional copies may be secured by writing the Church Music Department, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi.

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DEVOTIONAL
AT-ONE-MENT

By Bill Stewart, Pastor, First, Eupora

The succinct statement of the gospel contained in John 3:16 tells of a gift from God to the world. Given because God loves "the world" and given to communicate that love to the people of the world. The gift is identified as "as his only begotten Son." Will you examine "The Gift" with me now?

You see immediately a PERSON—man!—God? Yes—emphatically so—and the Word became flesh and dwelt among us." (John 1:14 R.S.V.) This event—the word becoming flesh—is amplified in the Philippian letter where it is explained that the Word—Christ Jesus—"emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men." (Phil. 2:7 R.S.V.)

In the Person of Christ God spoke to the people of the world in such a manner as to allow these same men to become the people of God. He did this as Christ demonstrated the POWER of divine love. He saw hungry people, and he fed them. He saw men who were hurt and he took away the pain. He touched those who could not see and allowed them to enjoy the "delights of the eye." He put the broken pieces of life together for those like the "woman at the well," who had known five husbands but knew not the One who is eternal joy and peace and security in genuine love, like Zaccheus who rendered himself an unsavory person by robbing his neighbors through taxes. His personal confrontation with individuals in the reality of life as they lived it let the world see that abundant living is possible after all even in an environment of undesirable and often miserable circumstances. He loved them and lifted them by his power.

Yet there is more—infinity—eternally—more! Where the people of the world are really in trouble is in their relationship to God.

In Christ God revealed his eternal PURPOSE. The Scripture relates it this way "God was in Christ reconciling the world unto himself." 2 Cor. 5:19. His purpose was to effect a reconciliation of men to God. Jesus said it like this "For the Son of Man is come to seek and to save that which was lost." (Luke 19:10 R.S.V.) Men are separated from God by their rebellion against him, and they need a Saviour. Matthew writes that the "Word—became—flesh" would be called Jesus for he would save his people from their sins. John reveals that through "The Gift" men could have the reality of life eternal—never to die.

The gift would take our sin
The gift would pay our penalty
The gift would die in our stead
The gift would live as our hope
The gift would come again for us

In "The Gift"—even Jesus—God came to man to take man to himself. We have a word for it, I believe—AT ONE MENT

Last Ire
Graduates Pass
Midwife Exams

The last 14 students of the Baptist midwifery school in Ire, Nigeria, have passed government qualifying examinations.

The young women graduated November 25. Then the school will be closed, due to

inability to meet new government requirements. The Baptist Welfare Center in Ire, specializing in maternity care and child health, will continue to function.

All the new midwives are Christians, reports Miss Eva Sanders, Southern Baptist missionary nurse and founder of the school. Now on furlough in Roanoke, Va., she expects to retire next year.

Koinonia Meal Enriches
Fellowship At Clinton

On the Wednesday night before Thanksgiving, 285 persons met at First Church, Clinton, for a Biblical koinonia supper. The Lord's supper was served at the tables following the koinonia supper. Dr. Russell M. McIntire, pastor, states that this

"was one of the most meaningful services we have had in our church in many years."

In the November 19 issue of the church's bulletin, Dr. McIntire explained the meaning of the koinonia meal:

"Consider the experience of the first Christians following Pentecost. Their new found faith in Christ and the new friends that they had met because of Him, pulled them closely together. Many, because of their conversion experience, were no longer welcome at home so had no home to go to; some were visiting in Jerusalem for the Passover and so tarried longer to enjoy this new fellowship."

"Out of this new 'koinonia', this fellowship, grew several definite habits that most Christians follow today. These early Christians assembled together, they learned from the apostles, they fellowshiped, they broke bread together and they prayed."

"We have very carefully kept the idea of assembling together, learning from the apostles and praying. Often, however, we neglect the other things. Often people feel unknown and outside of the group, but the true church makes every effort to include all in the koinonia relationship. Tied inseparably with the koinonia is the breaking of bread together."

"The koinonia was undoubtedly a full meal, the Lord's Supper being so observed by the earliest Christians. Dr. William Barclay says: The early church service, as indicated in Acts 20:7 consisted of the Love Feast, which was a rich, full meal, probably the only real meal some had eaten since the last meeting. At the end of the meal they partook of the Lord's Supper. It was at this happy fellowship of Christian friends, after a fine meal, that they paused and remembered who had made it all possible and in whose name they had assembled. The greek word for the Lord's Supper is 'eucharist' which simply means 'thank you.'"

Lewis Martins
In Hawaii

Dr. and Mrs. Lewis W. Martin, retired by the Home Mission Board at the end of 1965, now live in Pukalani, Maui, Hawaii, where he is pastor of the Pukalani Baptist Church. Dr. and Mrs. Martin served under the Home Mission Board for more than eight years as missionary evangelists in eastern Kentucky and he, for 23 years promoted missionary education for that board. They lived in Decatur, Ga. Their present address is P. O. Box 233, Pukalani, Maui, Hawaii 96788.

Six leprosy patients were among students in a recent Penzotti Institute — a Scripture distribution training course — organized by the Bible Society in Paraguay. Penzotti Institutes are held throughout Latin America. Most courses are conducted in churches, but this one was carried out among staff and patients at a hospital and a lepers' lazaretto with the patients later distributing Scriptures throughout the colony.



MRS. H. G. FURR recently received her eleven-year perfect attendance pin. She is Sunday school superintendent of the Primary department of the Arcola Church. Rev. Glynn R. Wiggins is the pastor.



YOUTH TEAM COUNCIL OFFICERS — Front row (left to right): Miss Mary Sullivan, sponsor; Nelson Crozier, Jackson; Sue Moore, Jackson; Bobbie Coley, Belle Chasse, La.; Wanda Bridges, Prentiss; back row: Robin Nichols, Vicksburg; Kendall Winstead, Morton; Wayne Carter, Birmingham, Ala.; and Donald Breland, Butler, Ala. Clarke College has formed an organization of youth teams which are sent out to represent the college. Each team usually consists of four members: a minister, song leader, pianist, and one student who gives a personal testimony. Teams visit churches in the state and neighboring areas. They conduct a service of worship, and seek to impress both young people and adults with the importance of Christian education. Pastors and churches interested in having a team to visit may contact Miss Mary Sullivan, associate in public relations, Clarke College, Newton.

SEMINARY
TO PRESENT
"MESSIAH"

Fort Worth, Tex.—The 150-voice Oratorio Chorus of Southwestern Seminary will sing George F. Handel's Messiah in its entirety Tuesday, Dec. 12.

The three hour-plus production will begin at 7 p.m. in the main sanctuary of the Travis Avenue Baptist Church, Fort Worth.

This year's performance will mark the forty-eighth consecutive year in which the seminary School of Church Music has presented Handel's work in its entirety.

Robert Burton, professor of conducting and ensemble activities, will direct for the twelfth time.

Another unique feature of the seminary presentation is that all four soloists are members of the seminary voice faculty including Sue King, soprano; Virginia Seelig, contralto; Frank Stovall, (Mississippi), tenor; and Charles Williamson, bass.



CLARKE COLLEGE has already begun the promotion of the Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions. Rev. J. B. Costlow, B. S. U. director, presided at a recent chapel program, when the Lottie Moon emphasis was started. Mr. McElroy led the singing; and students Starr Benefield and Vivian Powell, Y. W. A. president, spoke concerning the foreign missionary cause. Mrs. Compere represented Clarke President W. L. Compere, who could not be present. The goal for the offering has been set at \$2,568. From left: Rev. J. B. Costlow, Mrs. W. L. Compere, Vivian Powell, Starr Benefield and Professor J. B. McElroy.

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Irish Baptist

The youth fellowship of the Baptist Union of Ireland will celebrate its silver jubilee in 1968. A special jubilee celebration will take place in Belfast, Northern Ireland, in September. A program of mission work is being outlined for the jubilee year. (EBPS)

Revival Dates

Immanuel, Batesville: weekend revival; December 9 - 10; Charles Crabb, layman from Calvary Church, Booneville, speaker; services Saturday and Sunday at 7 p.

m. and Sunday at 11 a. m.; Rev. Smith Windham, pastor; Mrs. T. A. Tedford, song director; Mrs. R. L. Cobb, pianist.

Unity, Magnolia: December 10-17; Rev. Michael R. Dunaway, pastor-evangelist; services at 7 o'clock nightly.

Kentucky Southern
Not To Merge

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trustees. The vote was 18-1 with three abstentions.

The vote was prompted by a last-ditch stand by the students and faculty of Kentucky Southern to "Save our School" (SOS). The students wrote thousands of letters and made hundreds of telephone calls to potential donors in the Louisville area and across the nation.

Faculty members agreed to give up raises, and students agreed to tuition hikes of \$200 per trimester, from \$400 to \$600.

Following the vote of the trustees to discontinue merger talks, Kentucky Southern President Rollin S. Burhans told the students they would have to pay only \$100 of the announced \$200 tuition increase next semester, explaining that the school would use \$300,000 of the \$1.3 million the students had raised to provide tuition grants in January for the students.

Both Burhans and Highbaugh said it was the efforts by the students, and that alone, which convinced the trustees to continue the school.

Student leaders are talking about continuing the drive indefinitely until sufficient amounts are pledged to pay off the college's \$4½ million indebtedness, but the board of trustees may take over coordination of the fund drive to allow students to concentrate on their final exams.

University of Louisville President Philip Davidson revealed in a letter to the Kentucky Southern trustees that the university was willing to forego merger talks at the present time, but would be open to future merger discussion if Kentucky Southern wished to reopen the matter.

Meanwhile, the college faces the problem of making satisfactory arrangements about the indebtedness of \$623,000 in short-term bank loans and \$250,000 in operating expenses.

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